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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical Note

John R. Homer Scott was born October 16, 1813, in St. Genevieve, Missouri, to former United States judge of Arkansas Territory Andrew Scott, and Eliza Jones Scott. The Scott family moved to Arkansas in 1819, eventually settling in Pope County. John Scott married Elizabeth Brown on December 30, 1847. Although he had not studied law, he was elected special judge to the circuit court. He was asked to run for a vacancy in the state legislature, but declined.

He served as a Captain in Company A, Scott's Squadron Regiment, Arkansas Cavalry Volunteers, beginning August 3, 1861. He transferred to Brooks Battalion, 2nd Brigade in the Western Division, Confederate States Army, where he served until the end of the Civil War. In 1881, he and B.F. Jobe took over publication of the Russellville Courier-Democrat upon the retirement of J.H. Battenfield. They ran the newspaper until 1883, when they were succeeded by W.L. Morris. Scott died August 23, 1905, in Russellville.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains correspondence encouraging John R. Homer Scott to run for a vacancy in the Arkansas General Assembly, empty ballot for 1874 Senator's race, information on the collection on debts, and fragments of memos.

Administrative Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Lenora Scott Howell, 1958.

Collection Inventory

Correspondence

1873 September 26: J.W. Duncan, Springfield, Arkansas, to John R.H. Scott, Dover, Arkansas

1873 October 2: Lewis W. Davis, Russellville, Arkansas, to Captain John R.H. Scott

1873 October 8: W.S. Hanna, A.F. Woodward, J.W. Duncan, Springfield, Arkansas, to J.R.H. Scott

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1873 October 15: H. Gordon, Lewisburg, Arkansas, to John R.H. Scott, Dover, Arkansas

1873 October 20: W.S. Lindsay, Marshall, Arkansas, to J.R.H. Scott

1874 May 21: A.F. Woodward, Springfield, Arkansas, to J.R.H. Scott

Miscellaneous

1860 April 17: G.W. Lemoyne, to John R.H. Scott

1860 September 20: Receipt, G.W. Lemoyne, to John R.H. Scott

1874: Ballot for Senator

Undated: Memo

Undated: Memo [fragment]

Undated: Note about Mrs. John R. Homer Scott